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In re Appln. of: Hin-Yin Chung et al.

Appln. No.: 10/522,505

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Filed: January 26, 2005

Art Unit: 2812

For: Method for Oxidizing a Layer, and  
Associated Holding Devices for a Substrate

Attorney Docket No: 10808/200

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Transmittal Cover Letter (1p. Filed in Dup.); Request for Correction of Filing Receipt (2pp. Filed in Dup.);  
Copy of Filing Receipt with corrections (3pp.); Copy of Previously Filed Combined Declaration and Power  
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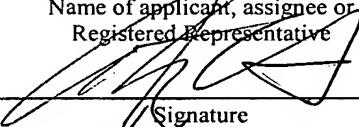
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### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hin-Yiu Chung et al.

Serial No. 10/522,505

Filing Date: January 26, 2005

For METHOD FOR OXIDIZING A  
LAYER, AND ASSOCIATED  
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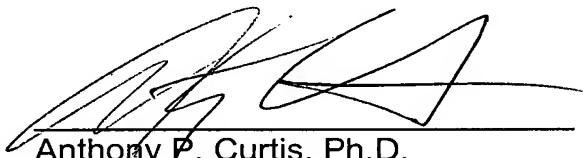
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LAYER AND CORRESPONDING HOLDER DEVICE FOR A  
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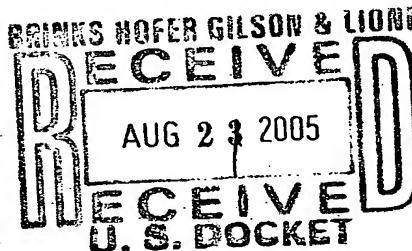


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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/DE03/02523 07/26/2003

## Foreign Applications

GERMANY 102 34 694.1 07/30/2002

Projected Publication Date: 11/24/2005

Non-Publication Request: No

Early Publication Request: No

## Title

Method for oxidation of a layer and corresponding holder device for a substrate

Method for oxidizing a layer, and associated holding devices for a substrate

Preliminary Class

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### METHOD FOR OXIDIZING A LAYER, AND ASSOCIATED HOLDING DEVICES FOR A SUBSTRATE

the specification of which (check one)

is attached hereto.

was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)			Priority Claimed	
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DE 10234694.1	Germany	July 30, 2002	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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PCT/DE03/02523	July 26, 2003	Pending

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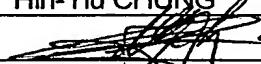
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